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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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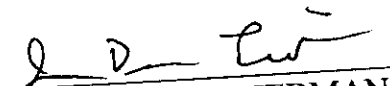
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| PETITION OF NPCR, INC.,       | ) |                     |
| D/B/A NEXTEL PARTNERS FOR     | ) | CASE NO. 2003-00143 |
| DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE    | ) |                     |
| TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER IN | ) |                     |
| THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  | ) |                     |

**POSITION STATEMENT OF**  
**LEWISPORT TELEPHONE**  
**COMPANY (TDS TELECOM)**

Comes Lewisport Telephone Company (TDS Telecom), by counsel, and states affirmatively as follows:

Lewisport Telephone Company is in agreement with the conclusions reached in the direct testimony of Steven E. Watkins. That testimony was prefiled on April 30, 2004 on behalf of the Independent Telephone Group. Specifically, Lewisport Telephone Company agrees with the conclusions reached in the direct testimony of Steven E. Watkins in regard to the effect which the Nextel petition would have on the Lewisport Telephone Company study area. Further, Lewisport Telephone Company agrees with the Watkins testimony as to the nature and scope of the review which the Public Service Commission should make in this matter.

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